GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Commercial Taxes Department – Surprise Check conducted on the Border Check Post of Commercial Taxes, Pondugula, Dachepalli Mandal, Guntur District on 19-05-2017 – Ten (10) COs on their defence before the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings – case entrusted to COI - Efflux of time as per rule 9(2) (b) (ii) of APRP Rules, 1980 to initiate disciplinary action against Sri Neralla Sri Hari Babu, O.S, (SO-7) – Further action dropped - Orders - issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.450 **Date:23/05/2024**

Read the following: -

1. From the DG, ACB,Lr.No.29/DES-VGT/2017.S.17,Dt:12-01-2018
2. Govt Memo.No.17023/7/2018-1, Dt.06-03-2018.
3. Govt Memo.No.17023/7/2018-2, Dt.06-03-2018.
4. From the DG, ACB Rc.No.29/DES-VGT/2017-S.17, dt.6.2.2019.
5. Memo.No.17023 /7/2018/Vig.II-3,Dated:03-06-2019
6. Memo.No.17023 /7/2018/Vig.II-4,Dated:03-06-2019
7. From the DG, ACB, Lr. No.29/DES-VGT/2017, dated:18.02.2021
8. G.O.Rt.No.520, Revenue (Vigilance-II) Dept., Dt:26.08.2021
9. G.O.Rt.No.72, Revenue (Vigilance-II) Dept., Dt: 01-02-2022
10. U.O.Note No.1878240 GAD/ COI-R/2022-23, dt. 16-03-2023
11. Memo.No.17023 /7/2018/Vig.II-4, Dated:10-08-2023

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O R D E R:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the DG., ACB has informed that a surprise check was conducted on Border Check Post, Commercial Tax Department, Pondugula, Dachepalli Mandal, Guntur District on 19-05-2017, and found certain irregularities. After detailed examination, Government have decided to place the following Eight (8)Suspected Officers(SOs) on their defence before Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings(TDP), and also to initiate the Departmental Inquiry against Sri Kampa Bharat Kumar, DCTO (S0-9) and Sri JVRK Srinivasa Rao, AC(ST) Vijayawada-1(S.O.10) Division CT Dept, for violation of Conduct Rules noticed during the surprise check conducted on 19-05-2017 at Border Check Post, Commercial Tax Department, Pondugula, Dachepalli Mandal, Guntur District.

1) Sri Potharlanka Venu, ACTO, SO-1;
2) Sri Kunchala Naga Raju, Sr.Asst., SO-2;
3) Sri Papanathi Naga Srinath, Jr. Asst., SO-3 ;
4) Sri Shaik Kalesha Vali, O.S, SO-4;
5) Sri Ponna Sarath Babu, ACTO, SO-5;

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6) Sri Meda Venkata Pavan Kumar, Jr. Asst., SO-6;
7) Sri Neralla Sri Hari Babu, O.S, SO-7;
8) Sri Kukkarala Ramesh, O.S, SO-8;

2. Accordingly, in the reference 2nd read above, orders have been issued placing the above said Suspected Officers(SOs) on their defence before the TDP for inquiry into the allegations leveled against them.

3. Where as in the reference 4th read above, the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau has furnished Part-B notes in respect of the above mentioned Suspected Officers to forward the same to TDP; and also requested to furnish the draft Article of Charges, statement of imputation along with supported documents [i.e., Statement imputations of misconduct/ misbehavior in support of article of charges, list of witnesses and list of documents] in respect Sri Kampa Bharat Kumar, DCTO(S0-9) and Sri JVRK Srinivasa Rao, AC(ST) Vijayawada-1(S.O.10) for taking further course of action.

4. Where as the Andhra Pradesh civil services (Disciplinary Proceedings Tribunal) Act, 1960 was abolished and all cases pending before the said Tribunal on the said date were transferred to the COI to continue the pending proceedings. The GA (COI) Department, in the reference 10th read above, while furnishing the record, has nominated Sri K Venkata Rami Reddy, Member of COI as Inquiring Authority in the present case and requested to issue necessary orders. As seen from the record, the charges have not been framed against Accused Officers, the DG., ACB has been requested to furnish the same to Government for taking further necessary action in the matter.

5. And whereas, the Accused Officer Sri Neralla Srihari Babu, O.S, (SO- 7) has retired from Government service on 30.06.2021 on attaining the age of superannuation. The limitation of 4 years period as required under Rule 9(2)(b) (ii) of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 to initiate disciplinary proceedings against charged officer has already been elapsed.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter, have decided to drop further action against Sri Neralla Sri Hari Babu, O.S, (SO-7), as it is not feasible to initiate departmental proceedings against the said retired officer now, due to efflux of time as per Rule 9(2)(b) (ii) of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against Sri Neralla Sri Hari Babu, O.S, (SO-7) who was retired from Government service on 30.06.2021 on attaining the age of superannuation.

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7. The Chief Commissioner State Tax, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M GIRIJA SHANKAR,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(FAC)

To
Sri Neralla Sri Hari Babu, Office Subordinate, (SO-7) (through the CCST., A.P., Guntur)
The Chief Commissioner (State Tax) Andhra Pradesh, Kunchanapalli, Guntur District
Copy to: -
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER